

COMMITTEE SAYS CENTRAL GRAMMAR IN BAD CONDITION

Supervisors Up Against Law
Which Will Stop Additions
On Building

HOW THE LEGISLATURE HAMPER CITY GROWTH

Legal Entanglements Over Which
Officials Have No Control
Make Bad Mess

A serious condition of affairs has developed at the Central Grammar school with regard to the additions necessary to take care of the new pupils expected to make application for entrance at the opening of the new school year in September. Six hundred new children are expected as the number that will have to be provided for. This is the estimate made by the superintendent of public instruction and he has asked the board to do the best it can to help out.

Laws In Tangle

Besides the dilapidated condition of the present school building there is a legal tangle relating to the appropriations which may be made in a fiscal year and the two conflicting statutes passed by the last legislature when the supervisors are given power to re-appropriate certain school money and in the other where the balance in the building fund are to be deducted from the money necessary to be raised from the tax on property in the county for school buildings.

Report Shows Condition

The committee on parks, playgrounds and schools has reported to the board that there is no suitable place in the grammar school grounds to erect this building which will not interfere with the building fund are to be deducted from the money necessary to be raised from the tax on property in the county for school buildings.

Cannot Build In June

The legislature appropriated for a twelve room additional building on the present school lot to cost \$20,000 and a location has been found for the building which will not interfere with the opening of Kuku street through from Port to Emma. It will not be necessary either to demolish the old building at this time. The law has stepped in however and provides that in the present six months of the fiscal year this amount may not be appropriated by the board for the work and if it is not appropriated there can be no school built to be ready for occupancy in Sept. mber.

City Cannot Advance Money

The city is not in a present financial position to advance the additional \$20,000 or \$15,000 necessary for the erection of the twenty four room building and unless this money is spent for the purpose appropriated for by the end of the present year it will come out of the next school budget and be a loss to the school department and the city and county.

NEW FEDERAL GRAND JURY'S FIRST REPORT

Four True Bills Returned In
Opium and Drug Cases

Four true bills were returned by the federal grand jury yesterday, in indictments being for alleged violations of the opium and drug laws of the United States. Those indicted were Oscar Nordman and Yee Mun Wai, opium, and John McLean and Thomas White, drugs. These men will be arraigned probably at ten o'clock this morning when the court meets.

The case against Nordman was still before the United States commissioner, Judge Curry having continued the case for further hearing to May 2 when the Nordman's arrival would allow the commissioner to take the testimony of some of the stewards of that vessel. Commissioner Curry at the time of the preliminary hearing said that if Nordman's testimony was borne out by these witnesses he would discharge the defendant.

Nordman, however, testified that he had no knowledge that a trunk which he ordered ashore, in his capacity as baggage steward, contained the opium alleged to have been sent from San Francisco, and said to have been received here by Yee Mun Wai. The grand jury has, however, as it can legally do, taken the case from the commissioner's hands.

THE FORTY YEAR TEST.

An article must have exceptional merit to survive in a period of forty years. Chamberlain's Cough Remedy was first offered to the public in 1872. From a small beginning it has grown in favor and popularity until it has attained a world reputation. You will find nothing better for a cough or cold. Try it and you will understand why it is a favorite after a period of more than forty years. Chamberlain's Cough Remedy not only gives relief—it cures. For sale by all dealers, Benson Smith & Co., agents for Hawaii.

FOURTH CAVALRY TO REMAIN HERE

War Department Tells Washington
Correspondent of 'The Advertiser' Regiment Stays

Alleviating definitely the report that the Fourth Cavalry was to be removed from Oahu because of the shortage of water for its maneuvers, The Advertiser yesterday received advice from its Washington correspondent, Ernest G. Walker, that the war department entertains no such plan.

As told in The Advertiser on Monday, there has been a persistent though unconfirmed rumor of orders for the transfer of the mounted troops. This story, discussed not only in civilian circles in the city but at Schofield Barracks, has been going the rounds for the last week or ten days, and has created considerable concern among business men and army officers alike.

In an effort to get definite information The Advertiser cabled to its correspondent in Washington, asking whether the war department intended to withdraw the Fourth Cavalry. His answer is unequivocal: "Absolutely no."

The story unquestionably gained credence from the fact that the cavalry has encountered obstacles, both through water and area shortage in its annual maneuvers. Undoubtedly these conditions are well known to the war department, but the special despatch from Mr. Walker makes it plain that the war department does not regard them as sufficient to warrant withdrawal of the cavalry.

PLANS LAYING TO CELEBRATE FOURTH

Chamber of Commerce Committee
Hears Suggestions At
Meeting

The reception and entertainment committee of the chamber of commerce met yesterday afternoon for the consideration of a proper celebration of the Fourth of July. Nothing definite was decided upon except that the day should be better observed than it has been the custom heretofore for several years. There will probably be a reading of the Declaration of Independence and an oration in the morning with possibly some special music by two or three of the splendid military bands now on the island and the firing of a national salute by the national guard. The societies of the Sons and Daughters of the American Revolution will be asked to assist in the observance of the day.

The traffic and transportation committee met to discuss the use of the roads in the residence district by drays with heavy loads, especially during the day of the celebration. No recommendations were made but the matter of having the wagons use some other than the paved streets was brought up, and a way will be found if possible, to have King street made taboo for the drays. It was suggested that the Ala Moana might be made the thoroughfare for the heavy teaming or Berekiana street which could be but little hurt in its present condition.

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Matson Ships Have Capacity Cargoes; Lurline Is Jammed

She Takes Most Dead-Weight
Freight She Has Carried
To Coast

Matson steamers are carrying immense cargoes these days.

When the Lurline departed at twelve o'clock noon yesterday for San Francisco she took the largest deadweight cargo she has carried. Weight and measurement, the freight was 9110 tons, surpassed by that of March 16, 1915, which was 9168 tons, but, nevertheless, yesterday's cargo was heavier.

Deadweight freight taken yesterday was 6345 tons of sugar, and 2000 tons of molasses. Miscellaneous freight was 708 tons, and an additional sixty tons surplus from the Matsonia. There were 2493 bunches of bananas and 10,441 cases of canned pineapples.

Probably at no time in the island's experience have liners been so filled with cargo as those of the Matson company are now. They literally are jammed.

The Wilhelmina came in from San Francisco yesterday morning, about an hour late, having been retarded by the heavy weight. She brought 6809 tons by far the largest cargo she has had. In fact, when 6800 tons were in her holds she was considered filled to the limit, but all vessels are being loaded as they never were before.

Wilhelmina Out Tomorrow
Capt. Fred K. Smith took the Lurline out. She had twenty cabin and seventeen steerage passengers. Capt. Peter Johnson brought the Wilhelmina in. Her passengers were ninety-two cabin and seventeen steerage. Her mail was 813 sacks. Dr. Peter Force is surgeon of the Wilhelmina, succeeding Dr. H. de B. Macaulay. R. V. Menary is purser. The Wilhelmina will sail at five o'clock tomorrow afternoon for Hilo, will return here Sunday morning and will sail at ten o'clock Wednesday morning for San Francisco, taking the next mail.

KAUAI MERCHANTS WANT COMMISSION TO CHECK MAKEE

Sixteen Kapaa Storekeepers Pro-
test To Utilities Board Against
Railway's Freight Rates

LEGAL QUESTION WHETHER BODY HAS JURISDICTION

Commission Will Hear Hawaii
Supervisors On Franchise of
Hilo Traction Company

The public utilities commission will be busy with investigations the next four or five weeks. Plans for a trip to Hilo, leaving tomorrow to hear the supervisors of Hawaii and the Hilo Board of Trade on the matter of the proposed amendments to the franchise of the Hilo Traction company, were made at a session of the commissioners yesterday afternoon. This hearing will take place in Hilo Friday and it is thought the commissioners will get back Sunday morning in the Wilhelmina, on which boat they will make the trip to the Crescent City.

Hawaii Telephone Rates

It was their intention to take up the matter of the rates of the Hawaii Telephone Company but it was decided that a longer notice to interested parties should be given than would be possible at this time so that hearing was postponed until May 18. Until the final meeting the rates of the company will not be changed, the old rates continuing meantime.

On the hearing of the complaints of the subscribers of the telephone company a letter was received from John Messerarratt, manager of Kapapa's Bank, that he wanted to appear before the commissioners and voice his complaint against the company. He had not had an opportunity at the last meeting as sufficient notice had not been given him to get to the place of meeting. All interested parties will be given due notice this time by publication in several languages in the papers of general circulation in the big island.

Notice was received from the county clerk of Maui that the town hall would be put at the disposal of the commissioners for their meeting in Wailuku on May 14. On the completion of their work there they will take steamer at Lahaina for Hilo leaving Maui on May 17.

Makee Fixes Freight Rates

Kapaa storekeepers through T. H. Davies & Co. have asked the commission to look into the rates charged them by the Makee Sugar Company for hauling freight by rail from Keala to Kapaa. The rates have been raised by the plantation management more than the merchants think is just. Sixteen storekeepers signed the petition to the commission.

They state that the new rates are for hauling \$5 per week for the first ton and fifty cents a ton for each additional ton. These charges must be paid weekly. Last year the plantation charged \$12.50 for twelve tons a quarter, \$5 for the first additional ton and fifty cents a ton for all additional after this first additional ton.

The commissioners referred the letters to their attorneys for investigation as to their power to regulate or inquire into the matter and on his report their action will be guided.

It was the opinion of the board that it had no jurisdiction over the railroad but it also was thought that it was a matter in which they might suggest more equitable rates if the charges are found to be unusual.

Little Utilities Notified

The secretary of the commission was instructed to notify W. A. Kamae of Wahiawa and W. P. McDougall of Kalahele that they were maintaining public utilities in the plants they are running to supply residents of their district with electricity. Although neither plant is incorporated, as public utilities they come under the provisions of the law and will have to live up to it.

Accident reports and other routine matters took up much of the commission's time.

Woman Needs All Her Strength

The woman who has a bag back is a constant pain, for her work must be done to just the same. Any other member of the family would have prompt and loving care, but the mother is inclined to neglect her own life.

So, many a woman who needs all her health and strength to stand the work and worry of keeping house becomes a chronic kidney sufferer.

Don't neglect a backache, lame back, disordered action of kidneys, dizziness, headache and blue or milky spells. Probably it's all the result of kidney weakness. Women all over the world recommend Doan's Backache Kidney Pills for just these troubles, and weak delicate women can take them freely. For Doan's contain no harmful, poisonous or habit forming drugs. They act quickly and do lasting good.

"When Your Back Is Lame—Remember the Name." Don't simply ask for a kidney remedy—ask distinctly for Doan's Backache Kidney Pills and take no other. Doan's Backache Kidney Pills are sold by all druggists and storekeepers at 50c a box (six boxes \$2.50), or will be mailed on receipt of price by the Hollister Drug Co., or Benson, Smith & Co., agents for the Hawaiian Islands.—Advertisement.

THINKS SHACKLETON ICEBOUND IN SOUTH

Mawson, Antarctic Explorer, Sur-
prised That Latest Expedition
Is Not Reported Out Now

Sir Douglas Mawson, famous antarctic explorer and scientist, who passed through Honolulu in the Ventura yesterday, expressed the opinion that Sir Ernest Shackleton has not been heard from recently the latter must be icebound in the south polar regions for another year.

Learning here that one of Shackleton's vessels, the Aurora, had arrived at New Zealand from the south, Sir Douglas said:

"Shackleton's ship, the Endurance, was to head for Buenos Aires and if she has not been heard from it looks as though she is frozen in for at least another year."

Sir Douglas is enroute to London on business connected with the war and partly to work on the scientific data gathered by his own antarctic expedition of 1911-14, on the material of which eight experts are engaged now. He reports that the rating of soldiers at Sydney several weeks ago was distributed largely to the fact that they could get liquor at night, and in consequence all bars in New South Wales now are compelled to close at six in the evening. Sir Douglas passed through Honolulu in April of last year, on his way home from a three months' lecture tour in the United States.

FORMER JURY CLERK NOW COMMISSIONER

John Ellinger, a Democrat and secretary of the federal grand jury recently discharged, was appointed by the presiding judge yesterday as a federal court jury commissioner, succeeding Gilbert J. Waller, who resigned several weeks ago.

It is customary under the law that the two jury commissioners shall be members of the leading political parties. George R. Clark, clerk of the federal court, who, by virtue of his office, is ex-officio the other jury commissioner, is, supposedly a Republican.

From now until next Tuesday the commissioners will select 180 new names to be placed in the jury box, from which are drawn all federal grand and trial jurors. The box is not supposed to contain less than 300 names at any one time. The new names will replace those withdrawn from the jury box owing to service during the previous twelve months, removal from the Territory or death.

VAUGHAN'S QUALIFYING AWAITS HUBER'S COMING

Hon. Horace W. Vaughan, now acting United States district attorney, will not qualify as federal judge here until May 13, next, at the earliest.

Do not desire Vaughan to qualify as judge until the arrival of Huber, who sails from San Francisco April 5.

SMITH CONTINUES TO SURPRISE JAPANESE

(Special Cablegram to Nippon Jiji)

TOKIO, April 11.—Art Smith made a new record for aviation in a stiff and long yesterday, inspiring the boot three times in succession, the velocity of the wind being registered at eighty miles an hour.

Prior to taking his flights Smith was strongly advised not to attempt his feat but said he did not care to disappoint the immense crowd which crowded onto the Anyama Parade grounds where the flights were held. Smith's feat of looping the loop with the wind blowing as it did is said to be a world's record.

ALLEGED EMBEZZLER

IS BACK FROM COAST

After refusing to return to Honolulu unless extradition papers were served on him, which necessitated a special trip to Sacramento, the capital of California for the papers, which were secured, Pete Ardicie, a Filipino, charged with the embezzlement of \$160 from fellow countrymen in Honolulu, was brought back from San Francisco by Captain McDuffie yesterday morning.

RACING NOT DEAD YET

A total of \$2,852,037 was distributed in stakes and purses on the American turf last season. The racing days numbered 829, and the number of races reached 5,454. These figures give an idea of the magnitude of the sport, but they do not compare favorably with the years of 1906 and 1907, when racing was in its heyday. In 1906, \$3,429,361 was distributed as a reward to the speed thoroughbreds. This was the high water mark when races were being conducted extensively in many States of the Union. Over \$5,000,000

LOS ANGELES TO HELP ON STEAMER LINE FOR HAWAII

Wants Islands To Cooperate In
Matter of Solid Industrial
Foundation

MIGHT BUILD SUGAR REFINERY IF ASSURED

Proposition Result of Campaign
Here To Keep Great Northern
On Run

Los Angeles is willing to help in the fight for a continuous steamer service between the islands and the Southern California port, provided she gets her own terms. Those terms, to quote a letter received by the secretary of the Hawaii Promotion Committee yesterday, are "a solid industrial foundation by the establishment at the Los Angeles harbor, of a sugar refinery and other plants which would utilize raw products from the Hawaiian Islands."

This movement, which is said to be gathering momentum in the coast city, is one of the direct results of the campaign for the continuation of the service of the Great Northern, made by the chamber of commerce and the promotion committee some time ago.

Subsidy Started Things

It will be recalled that L. A. Thurston, then a member of the promotion committee, was sent to San Francisco with an offer of the local business men to make good the deficit which the Great Northern might incur by continuing her runs during the summer months. At the time Mr. Thurston left the promotion committee also called to Frank Higgins, secretary of the Los Angeles chamber of commerce, outlining what had been done by the local interests, and asking what Los Angeles was prepared to do to help. Mr. Higgins replied saying that as a body the chamber of commerce was at that time, unable to take any active steps, but that the whole matter had been referred to the foreign trade committee of the chamber for discussion and action.

The letter received by Mr. Taylor, secretary of the promotion committee, yesterday, is from L. D. Sale, chairman of the trade committee.

The letter begins by intimating the great interest taken by the committee in the question of a permanent service between Los Angeles and Hawaiian ports, and pointing out the need of stabilizing such trade as might be built up by the "establishment of a sugar refinery," and "other plants to utilize the raw products of Hawaii."

Continuing it asks for "complete data covering the exportation of sugar and such other raw products as you think might be used in such plants. It is also essential that Los Angeles should become the distributing center for many of the products of the Hawaiian Islands which do not require further fabrication," and "as soon as we are prepared to make a full report showing exactly what can be done, the matter will be taken up by the board of the chamber of commerce and the industrial bureau, and every effort made to bring about definite action."

A Question of Money

Local sugar men, to whom the suggestion of a sugar refinery at San Pedro, the port near Los Angeles, was submitted, declared last night that there is nothing except a question of money to stand in the way of its accomplishment. It was pointed out that while about seventeen per cent of the total sugar raised in Territory is routed under long term contracts, which requires as that consideration in such a project as the proposed refinery, the Los Angeles committee must have forty per cent of the total crop is not so hampered, all could go to Los Angeles or any other place where the price might move attractive and other conditions agreeable to the factors. Forty per cent of the total crop of the islands is, of course, refined by the planters themselves in their refineries at Crockett, California, but the balance is, as has been said, disposable to any refinery that pays the price. There is therefore, nothing in the shape of contracts to stand in the way of such a plant. Furthermore, it was pointed out, such a plant would be in the market for the Philippine sugar and could, of course, buy wherever it might be able to do so at a profit.

Special Committee

REACHES NO DECISION

Makes Progress Slowly On 'Memorial' To the Governor

There was a meeting of the "Memorial" committee of the board of supervisors held at the office of Mayor Lane yesterday afternoon at which all committee members except Supervisor Arnold were present. The city treasurer, deputy auditor, deputy city attorney W. T. Carden and Supervisor Logan also were called in to assist in the caucus.

The members got no further than a general discussion of the points brought out in the prayer and other meetings will have to be held to thoroughly clarify the minds of the members as to what is best before a report is made to the board.

G. O. P. WHANGING POLICY OF WILSON

Hoping For Real Live Issue Upon
Which To Make Political
Campaign

By ERNEST G. WALKER.
(Mail Special to The Advertiser)

WASHINGTON, March 28.—Republicans are coming down the line again with whanging criticisms of President Wilson. The strain of other exciting things has been dying away the last few days, so that little remains except Mexico. And Mexico, with reference to Presidential policies (also Presidential politics, although that the Republicans will not openly admit), is to be thrust into the foreground as an issue. It may develop into a good Republican issue, or it may prove a disastrous one. But Republican leaders in congress, restless and impatient because several months of agitation has brought no worth while issue, will take the bait. Their efforts in demanding a larger army for Mexico and more vigorous prosecution of the punitive expedition may compel the United States into war, just as the Democrats wanted in congress about eighteen years ago kept whooping it up for an invasion against the Spaniards in Cuba, whom the Democrats wanted to drive into the sea without ceremony. But as matters stand, the Republicans want an issue with which to whip the country now, just as the Democrats wanted a similar issue for the congressional campaign of 1898.

Ever since General Pershing crossed the Mexican border in pursuit of Villa, the Republicans in the senate especially have been encouraging the wild rumors from the border. It was fully expected in administration circles that all American men owners and ranch owners in Mexico would bestir themselves in agitation forthwith. Nothing was left undone to stir up the American people and likewise the Mexicans. Rumors of conflicts, of defections to Villa of the claps of Carranza and all that would certainly be put into circulation. The army has all along been far in advance of our powerful intentions. The army has been nearly always welcome to the commission and enlisted forces in the regular establishment.

Star Up Rumors

Consequently the administration has been battling against these influences, which have been very active. President Wilson, well aware of the situation, has taken every possible precaution, especially to have the Mexicans apprised of our peaceful intentions. Negotiations with Carranza about the crossing of our troops and the use of such facilities as the railroads have been conducted circumpectly and nothing possible has been left undone to assure the first chief of our sincere intentions and also to clear away suspicion. It has been recognized from the start, of course, that the status is exceedingly delicate and that the mere presence of a large American force in Mexico furnished the best kind of excuse for stirring Mexicans to turn their guns against our soldiers.

Cooperating Cordially

Nevertheless to date there seems to have been very little friction between the Mexicans and the American troops. Indeed, Carranza appears to have been cooperating cordially to hunt down Villa and his bandits. If Villa can be taken quickly there should be a short end of the whole enterprise of unfriendly agitation. But the cold facts are that if Villa is taken quickly it will be a piece of great luck. Villa taken, dead or alive, within a fortnight or a month would be mighty to the glory of the army and to the advantage of the administration. Carranza could then have a new lease in efforts to pacify Mexico and establish himself. Criticism of President Wilson's Mexican policy would lose its force as about the best criticism Republicans have had. Increased prestige for the President in dealing alike with foreign and domestic problems would come with a jump.

But in all probability Villa and his band are not to be taken quickly. He knows the wild country in which he is operating too well and can presumably hide away where the Americans can not easily find him. Furthermore, it is not likely that there are certain American interests crediting him should be captured, and determined by the North American alliance to help him evade capture.

Expects Howl of Rage

Of course, if he is not captured in a month or two the country will grow impatient and a howl of protest over the spectacle of several thousand American troops waging against one man will go up. Then Mr. Republican will come to the center of the stage with assertions as to how it should have been done and what an egregious blunder President Wilson is. The Republican National Convention at Chicago in early June will be adopting fiery resolutions of denunciation and the Democratic convention which meets the following week at St. Louis will probably be accusing the Republican party of betraying the capitalists and border malcontents to the benefit of the country into a war of conquest, so that Northern Mexico, which comprises most of the region where Americans have invested a great many millions, will eventually be annexed to the United States and their investments be increased many fold in value.

What the vote would think of these facts when fully explained during the summer and autumn is a matter of conjecture. But, as already stated, Republicans seem quite willing to take the chance. If their plan succeeds it will be "all to the glory" for them. If it fails the country will forget about it speedily. In any event the minority party has next to nothing to lose.

Preaching Preparedness

Endurance of national enthusiasm for preparedness, particularly with the army, is becoming a matter of some conjecture by long headed politicians in congress. The need of increasing the army and the navy is become quite

NEW PACIFIC MAIL VESSELS SHUT OUT FROM COAST TRADE

Dutch-Built Ships Barred From
Mainland-Honolulu Freight
and Passenger Business

MARITIME LAW OF 1914 CLEARLY EXCLUDES THEM

Should American - Constructed
Steamers Be Added To Fleet,
Then Traffic Is Certain

Three Dutch vessels purchased by the Pacific Mail and to be placed in the San Francisco-Honolulu Orient trade will not be able to engage in the coastwise traffic, either in passengers or freight, because of their having been built foreign. Under the emergency war act of August 18, 1914, foreign-built vessels coming under the American flag are excluded from the coastwise trade specifically, although they may engage in business between the States and Tutuila, American Samoa; Guam and the Philippines, as well as foreign.

Expect Some To Be American

It is taken for granted, however, that at least some of the other vessels to be placed in the overseas trade will be American built, and therefore eligible for the Coast-Honolulu service. Exclusion in the islands of increased passenger business from the States and relief of freight congestion through the revival of the Pacific Mail must be credited upon this. Should the Mail or the altogether unexpected, however, and even foreign built vessels large or wholly in the trans-Pacific trade, be islands will benefit none as to the coast, although the fleet would be a great aid in bringing cargoes from the Orient.

Further advice on the makeup of the fleet will be received with great interest. Only two vessels of the old mail line, the Persia and Nile, could not engage in the coastwise business. Others were home-built except the "hina," which became a full American vessel upon annexation.

May Get Mail Contracts

Foreign-built vessels admitted to American registry under the emergency act may contract with the postmaster-general under the Act of March 3, 1891. The President may suspend, as he sees fit, those provisions of the laws which require all the watch officers in vessels in foreign trade to be American citizens.

An example of the working of the coastwise laws is that the ship Katharine, now in port, to be given American registry after inspection, cannot load here for the Coast, although freight in abundance is offering, because she has British-built. She was sold from British to Chilean and then to Americans. Her old name was Countess of Lillithgow. The old navy collier Justine, British-built, recently sold by the government, was not eligible for coastwise trade, bidders were warned.

WOULD DISCONTINUE SUIT ALREADY TRIED AND DECIDED

A. S. Humphreys, attorney for the complainant, filed in the circuit court yesterday a discontinuance of the suit for foreclosure of mortgage brought by W. G. Let against John Grace and others. The case was recently tried and decided, Judge Ashford finding for the complainant, who now wants his action dropped "without prejudice." No decree has been signed, however.

RESPONSIBILITY IS NOT FIXED FOR EWA ACCIDENT

That the Spanish girl and Filipino who lost their lives in the railroad accident on Ewa plantation was the result of an open blind switch, the responsibility for which cannot be fixed, was the verdict of the coroner's jury held yesterday afternoon at Ewa.

Manager George F. Renton of Ewa, when informed of the verdict said: "Hereafter, every one of the plantation railway switches will be equipped with a locking device. One accident is enough for me."

Generally conceded that the sentiment hereafter has grown up under whip and spur, as it were. However, such a growth would have been impossible but for the European conflagration. National defense leagues of many varieties seized the opportunity and began to preach what army and navy authorities had been preaching long before the war clouds appeared on the horizon of Great Britain, France and Germany.

There is a certain young Republican in congress from New England, who has a long headed Democratic friend serving in the senate from the Middle West. Political considerations aside, this Democratic senator is interested in his New England friend's career and is advising him out of an experience that extends back of the Spanish war period. His advice runs something like this:

Senatorial Advice
"Your present committee assignments in the house bring you somewhat in touch with our foreign affairs. Cultivate that assignment as diligently as you can. Don't dip overmuch into this preparedness issue. There is an adage, worth considering, that a man in public life should go strong on something worth while. Thus he keeps in the public eye and makes people talk about him and what is equally important, remember him."